

DPD 3337-61

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MEMORANDUM FOR : Acting Chief, Development Projects Division

SUBJECT : Status of US Mule

REFERENCE : Commander's Report, April 1961 from [] 25X1A
(DPD 3173-61, dated 17 May 1961)

25X1A

1. In paragraph 3 of the referenced report, [] has indicated that firm data has been received on 22 April of the final US Mule test missions. Although I have not seen the paper work, I am attracted to his last sentence which reads: "Despite this, the burst point should be predictable within one-half mile."

2. You will recall the active interest displayed by Mr. Bissell and General Cabell in the status of the US Mule in February and March. While it is true that this interest was in connection with the Cuban operation, I believe there may be reasons why this capability could be used in other areas in the Caribbean, i.e., [] and the [] for example.

3. What I am pointing out is that you may wish to review this data and to apprise the DD/P of the current existence of a US Mule capability, if in your opinion we are over the hump and could operate if called upon to do so.

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